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SUBJECT: MBFR: KEEPING NEUTRALS INFORMED

VIENNA FOR U.S. DEL MBFR

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1. SPC ON OCTOBER 31 AGREED TO BASIC GUIDELINES ONKEEPING NEUTRALS INFORMED OF MBFR DEVELOPMENTS. THERE WERE SOME DIFFERENCES OF VIEW OVER WHETHER CONTACTS WITH NEUTRALS SHOULD PRINCIPALLY BE THROUGH BILATERAL CHANNELS OR THROUGH SOME COLLECTIVE ARRANGEMENT. SPC DECIDED TO LEAVE THIS PROCEDURAL QUESTION TO AD HOC GROUP.

2. THERE FOLLOWS TEXT OF AGREEMENT, WHICH IS EMBODIED IN THE FORM OF A TELEGRAM FROM KASTL TO JACQUES COHEN, SYG'S REP IN AD HOC GROUP. U.S. DEL MBFR SHOULD PASS THIS MESSAGE IMMEDIATELY TO COHEN. TEXT FOLLOWS:

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BEGIN TEXT

THE SENIOR POLITICAL COMMITTEE HAS REACHED THE FOLLOWING CONSENSUS ON THE QUESTION OF INFORMING NEUTRALS

ABOUT MBFR NEGOTIATIONS:

(1) AS A PRINCIPLE IT IS IN THE ALLIED INTEREST TO KEEP NEUTRALS INFORMED OF THE PROGRESS OF MBFR NEGOTIATIONS. THE ALLIES SHOULD MAKE A HABIT OF INFORMING THE NEUTRALS SUFFICIENTLY OF DEVELOPMENTS SO AS TO MAKE THEM REALISE THAT WE ARE SHARING INFORMATION WITH THEM TO THE EXTENT FEASIBLE.

(2) HOWEVER THERE SHOULD BE NO INSTITUTIONALIZATION OF THE INFORMATION-SHARING PROCESS AND THE ALLIES SHOULD AVOID IMPARTING AN IMPRESSION TO THE NEUTRALS THAT WE HAVE AN OBLIGATION TO REPORT TO THEM.

(3) ALLIED CO-ORDINATION, EITHER SUBSTANTIVE OR PROCEDURAL, CONCERNING INFORMATION-SHARING WITH NEUTRALS IN VIENNA, SHOULD BE LEFT TO THE AD HOC GROUP.

(4) CONTACTS WITH NEUTRALS SHOULD, IN FACT, PREFERABLY TAKE PLACE IN VIENNA. NEUTRLS SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED TO SEEK INFORMATION THROUGH THEIR EMBASSIES IN VIENNA. THIS WOULD, OF COURSE, NOT EXCLUDE THE POSSIBILITY OF COMPLEMENTARY CONTACTS IN CAPITALS (SIGNED) KASTL

END TEXT.
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